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The Eight-Hour Law.

Heckled at Sioux City last night as to whether he favored the repeal of the so-called eight-hour law, Mr. Hughes replied that "a surrender could not be repaid." Asked then as to what he would have done to avert the threatened strike he replied:

"If arbitration had been refused I should have gone right to the American people, stated the facts and put the responsibility where it belonged."

Had that course been taken by Mr. Wilson would a strike have been called? In all probability, no. Brought face to face with a situation dominated by a President who was considering general interests instead of special interests, the representatives of the railway brotherhoods would have paused. But had a strike been called and the call obeyed, its duration would probably have been of the briefest. For paralysis of railroad transportation would have so affected the country that widespread distress would instantly have produced widespread disorder, and the national government been forced to take action to restore order. Paralyzing the United States from within is a pretty large contract, and would be attended with very great peril.

But the more interesting question is, What will the present Congress at the short session, or the next Congress at its first session, do as respects the general problem raised by the eight-hour law? To begin with, the law is misnamed. It simply raises wages, and for a comparatively small class of wage-earners. And it does not rest upon ascertained facts, but allegations. And it was passed under duress.

The matter is not to remain in its present shape. Nobody is satisfied, and everybody wants further action based upon investigation and report. Provision has been made for obtaining the desired and necessary information.

If Congress can raise wages for one class of workers it can for another—for all others. Shall we see the movement spread? The class that has been favored is a high-priced class. There are many other classes; and some are not satisfied with their present wage-scales. Their earnings are very modest by comparison with those of the railway brotherhoods.

And who shall pay the bills? In the cases of the brotherhoods the railroads are objecting to the charge, and asking permission to collect it from the public in the shape of increased freight rates. What will the public say as to this? and particularly what will the public say if a general movement begins for a real eight-hour day established by law, and of general instead of limited application? We seem to have entered upon a very interesting and important line of legislation, and very much depends upon how far we are willing to go with it.

Indiana fiction writers held a joke debate on the merits of the campaign controversy. The spirit of gaiety that has deserted Europe's capitals has taken possession of the Hoosier state. Indianapolis as well as claim to Cincinnati's old title, "The Paris of America."

Roosevelt has become convinced that a man need not have accumulated great wealth in order to disport himself as a malefactor.

As some candidates must be defeated, there will inevitably be the usual post-election amount of sad slain faith in the wisdom of the plain people.

Socialism and Pacifism.

In New York a socialist candidate for Congress was applauded by an audience of five thousand persons for the following utterance:

"In our naval and military academies men are trained to make a business of destroying life and property. If you elect me to Congress I'll tear up my appointments and throw them into the basket, and instead of making officers of the young men who apply to me I'll train them to be class-conscious workers."

This man will not reach goal. Nevertheless, this attitude toward war and all that relates to war is interesting, as being in line logically with the pacifism preached by some men who have sat in Congress and are asking attention in other forums for their views.

If war is murder, indefensible in nations as murder is in men, then those who are trained to conduct war and do conduct it are, of course, professional murderers. West Point and Annapolis are schools of crime, and those who by their votes in Congress provide for their support, and choose young men for education as murderers, are accessories to murder. The man who does not believe in murder, and would first check and then put an end to it, cannot regard with respect or approval either a soldier or a sailor.

It is when we get down to this view of the matter that pacifism as advocated by those unafraid of its logical bearings appears in full light and proportions as a menace. This nation must

sustain itself among nations, all of which are prepared for war, and the most powerful of which just now are engaged in war. If we were to abolish West Point and Annapolis, and brand as potential murderers all who have been educated in those schools and are now in government commission, we should invite destruction, and very shortly meet that fate. We should make ourselves the tempting target of all time for the aggressive and the prepared.

We shall not do that. This latest war has taught the world much, and taught us in particular truths it was most important for us to know. It has roused us out of a lethargy past excuse, and into action which will tell in our affairs for years to come. Instead of abolishing West Point and Annapolis we shall enlarge them, and may establish other schools of like purpose and character. Instead of turning away young men desirous of army or navy training, members of Congress will increase their pains to encourage applications, and see that the best fitted applicants are rewarded with appointment. We need the best; and, fortunately for the country, the material is abundant, and needs only to be culled with care to answer the country's fullest need.

The Danger of Stealing Bides.

The effort of the police to prevent accidents to children by enforcing the rule against hanging on wagons and trucks should be supplemented by parental endeavors. The other day a little girl was killed here through a violation of this rule, this being only the latest of a long series of fatalities due to the practice of children riding on heavy vehicles. Sometimes they jump on behind, and again they catch hold of the wagons and trucks in order to be pulled on their skates or bicycles. They are in peril every moment. Boys on roller skates also catch hold of street cars and several tragedies have resulted.

More effective work can be done by the parents in this matter than by the police. They should point out clearly to their children the grave danger of riding on or playing about wagons, motors and street cars, and if they find the children violating their injunctions they should enforce them with discreet punishment.

Last year a member of the police force went about among the schools of the city and lectured on the rules of safety, enjoining the children to observe them strictly, cautioning them against dangerous practices. He secured their attention, and it can be believed that he was instrumental in preventing many accidents. But this sort of work must be kept up. Children are forgetful and must be admonished again and again before they learn their lessons. The teachers in the schools can do much by daily short talks and by utilizing as texts for warnings the occasional fatalities that result from juvenile heedlessness. If another detail can be spared from the police force the excellent work of last spring should be extended. The police can be used in no better way than to prevent mishaps by inculcating habits of carefulness among the younger members of the community.

The American statesman is a hardy specimen of manhood. Not one was ever known to balk at the prospect of having to stand out of doors on an inclement 4th of March.

The ready and sufficient answer of Hughes is likely to make Democratic Chairman McCormick wonder whether the republicans have not planted some hecklers in the audience.

One of the pleasures of the current drama is that of hearing people make all kinds of speeches without the slightest danger of being heckled.

Party abhorrence of the hyphen does not prevent a large amount of political coquetting with the German-American vote.

Next to the passage of the eight-hour law, the Roosevelt-Taft reunion was the most efficient example of business transacted with neatness and dispatch.

When it comes to censorship and other forms of regulation, John Bull is a master of the firm but friendly method.

Everybody is wishing for the time when ocean rivalry built Shamrocks to race instead of U Fifty-threes to sink.

Winning the middle west this fall is a task worthy the skill and energy of any political cowboy.

Geek Turnout.

Turmoil in Athens is reported in consequence of the landing of sailors and marines from the allied fleet. A mob of royalists and pro-Germans made a demonstration against the French admiral and the French minister and also before the British legation. It is indicated, however, that this manifestation of hostility is not spontaneous, but is the effect of manipulation, the indication being conveyed by the dispatches that the large proportion of the crowd was in the pay of Teutonic propagandists. The predicament of King Constantine is rendered by no means less difficult by these outbursts. On the contrary his embarrassments are increased by the showing of hostility toward the entente allies. Every antagonistic demonstration in Athens is calculated to increase the pressure put upon the Greek government, and at the present rate it will not be long before all power is taken from the king and ministry and vested in a provisional government under the joint control of the British and French. In truth, at this moment, Greece has practically ceased to exist as an autonomous state owing to the shiftness of the government's policy, which has temporized while revolution was rife and postponed

the decision as to entry into the war, which events made imperative. It is significant that in London the question of a Greek republic is being freely discussed, though the pro-monarchical sympathies of the British statesmen are recognized as a factor for the maintenance of royalty at Athens. There is, however, no such royalist sympathy in France, and a republican development in Greece would not be an all surprising outcome of the present complication.

Tracing Poliomyelitis.

More positive assertion of the theory that poliomyelitis or infantile paralysis is seated in the intestinal tract is made by the investigators at Johns Hopkins, where extensive experiments have been conducted. It is now believed that the disease is transmitted through uncooked food. This hypothesis squares with the fact that most of the patients are of tender years. The feeding of children on milk would account for the tremendous prevalence of this disease among juveniles, if it is true that milk is a transmitter of the germ. Thus far the experiments at Johns Hopkins have dealt chiefly with the location of the main disease center in the system and with the transmission from patient to patient. Inoculations of small animals have yielded results indicative of the discovery of the disease principle, which, however, has not been isolated specifically. When the bacillus or germ itself has been identified it will be possible to look for it in the foods.

Early in the outbreak the suggestion was made that the disease was spread through dust, and the Johns Hopkins discoveries are of a nature to reinforce that theory. In the summer time, when the disease is chiefly prevalent, windows are open and foods of all kinds are exposed to atmospheric dirt. It was noticeable that the disease diminished to some extent when thorough street cleaning was effected in the worst centers of infection in Brooklyn. If the dust theory is correct it is plain that candies sold from pushcarts and street stalls might readily spread the infection widely, as they are exposed to dust and cannot be cleaned before consumption. The Johns Hopkins researches hold promise of a discovery that may enable the sanitarians and physicians of this country successfully to fight this terrible scourge another season.

Perplexities will arise should the locomotive brotherhood secure a wage increase and immediately after be requested by fellow workmen, equally desirous of advancement, to go on a sympathetic strike.

Cuba now manages to hold elections with a dignity and satisfaction that ought to afford encouragement to the law-abiding element of the Mexican public.

Next to a straw vote, the applause for portraits at a motion picture show is the most unreliable of election indications.

Congress may be relied on to show the eight-hour law a varied assortment of heckling.

SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

Indecision.

"Have you decided how you are going to vote?"
"Yes," replied the cautious citizen. "I decided that long ago. What's keeping me busy now is deciding whether I won't decide to change my mind."

Intellectual Authority.

"Bliggins has a wonderful command of language."
"I don't know," rejoined Mr. Grower. "He thunders it around a great deal. But he seems to have a great deal of difficulty in making it tell the truth."

Erratic.

Oh, gasoline, what may befall
Your victims is most rigorous!
You either won't explode at all
Or else explode too vigorously!

"De man dats afraid of bein' bossed by a wife," said Uncle Eben, "generally finds himself bossed by all de help in a boardin' house."

Serious Consideration Assured.

"Did Gwendolin laugh when you proposed to her?"
"Not a ripple. I had a handsome engagement ring and I took pains to show it to her before I began to talk."

Good Intentions Halted.

We held a powerful pow-wow down to Pohlack on the Creek.
We wanted to improve the town an' do it in a pretty quick.
Tim Biggles wore his Sunday clothes an' said a lot o' things,
The same was noted in the case o' Hezekiah Bings.

Joe Struthers he got eloquent an' made a dandy speech.
Doc Brancy said he wasn't there to hear the eagle screech.
Jud Tunkins stopped storekeepin' long enough to take a hand.
The boys stopped playin' in the street to join our happy band.

An' everybody had some bright idea that he said
That couldn't fail to put the good old town away ahead.
Tim Biggles put the proposition up to Hezekiah strong.
To git out and do some mendin' where the highway had gone wrong.

An' Hezekiah, speakin' of the matter, says: "Yes so!"
But the fancy highway mender of this little burry is Joe."
Doc Brancy wasn't to be found—he simply smiled an' left;
Joe Struthers said Jud Tunkins was a roadster of some heft.

Joe said the boys could do it—an' nobody did a lick—
We ain't had no improvements yet at Pohlack on the Creek.

Great Industry in Greece.

From the Indianapolis News.
If other business in Greece was as good as the cabinet making industry it wouldn't have any time to think about war.

BROCADE CORSETS

Very Unusual Values at... \$1.59

Tomorrow, as an Anniversary Special, we will place on sale about 200 Fine Corsets, made of excellent quality brocade material, in white or pink. Also a limited quantity of Fine Court Corsets.

Medium and low bust models. Some with rubber inserts, others with double skirt and elastic gore. These models are especially designed for slender and medium figures. Sizes 19 to 25.

Third Floor—Lansburgh & Bro.

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The Fourth Day of the Anniversary Sale will prove extremely important because new lots have been added and priced in accordance with our Anniversary Sale policy of unusual values to insure you of our appreciation of your long and esteemed patronage. Many articles of equal importance are not advertised, but Anniversary Sale Price Cards will guide you to them in every department. Look for Them.

In Justice to Yourself You Should See These

New Arrivals in Women's Coats

They're Specially Priced at... \$14.95



These are just in and will go on sale tomorrow. They are really some of the most remarkable values we've had this season. Every one is a new model in belted or flare styles, with novelty button trimmings. The large, fancy patch pockets and belts of self material. The materials include the Famous American Woolen Velours in all the popular plain shades and a great variety of beautiful fancy mixtures. All sizes for women and misses—16 to 44.

We Also Wish to Call Your Especial Attention to Our Showing of
Exquisite Models in
GEORGETTE & COMBINATION DRESSES
For Street, Afternoon and Evening Wear.
Exclusive styles not shown by any other store.
See Window Display

Second Floor—Lansburgh & Bro.

Anniversary Sale of Bungalow Aprons

Very Specially Priced... 69c



Bungalow Aprons, made of excellent quality percales in a variety of check and stripe effects. All are full in width and full length. Choice of a variety of styles. Specially priced, 69c.

House Dresses

95c

Women's House Dresses, good quality ginghams, percales, lawns and velvets. Choice of stripe effects and solid colors; great variety; long or three-quarter sleeve models; well made and prettily trimmed. Sizes 36 to 52. An opportunity that no woman can afford to miss.

Third Floor—Lansburgh & Bro.

These Anniversary Specials in Dress Materials Are Worthy of Your Immediate Action

79c 50-in. Mohair Sicilian, Yd., 59c

High luster, reversible, self-laundering; full 50 inches wide; in a rich shade of navy blue and a good crown black. 79c value, at yard, 50c.

\$3.00 White 54-in. Coatings, Yard, \$1.98

St. Moritz Coatings, 54-in. White Coatings, nice for children, as well as grown-ups. Coats made of these all-wool fabrics require no linings. \$3.00 value. Yard, \$1.98.

\$1.19 Black Imperial Serge, 85c

Only five pieces. Pure all wool, 42 inches wide. A rich crown black, guaranteed dye; will not crush. Anniversary Sale price, yard, 85c.

\$2.50 56-in. Covert Cloth, \$1.69

Regular Coating Covert, in tan only. Only 100 yards to sell. Get your coat length tomorrow. Anniversary Sale price, yard, \$1.69.

Second Floor—New Building.

Anniversary Sale of BEDWEAR

In order to meet the demand of the cold nights that are coming warmer bedwear is a necessity and these special items that are listed here should be of interest to every housekeeper.

Marseilles Quilts, \$2.92

A complete line of carefully Selected, Strictly High-grade, Cut-out Corner Marseilles Quilts, with embroidered or fringed edge; in the most charming satiny designs. A number, too, with the plain edge. All extra special values for our Anniversary Sale.

Extra Heavy Comforts, \$1.95

A fine assortment of attractive light colorings in silkoline or cambric, filled with the best quality processed cotton. Competing values at the Anniversary Sale price, \$1.95.

AUTO ROBES

in a Most Comprehensive Display

We have a wonderful display of finely made, carefully selected Auto Robes, fringed and plain, in stunning plaids and self tones, with a generous sprinkling of Indian styles. For our Anniversary Sale the prices range

From \$4.50 to \$15.00

High-Grade Silkoline

Comforts, \$3.00

Made in variety of pleasing small-designed silkoline coverings, handsomely finished with nine-inch plain satine border. Very desirable values at the Anniversary Sale price, \$3.00.

Fall Size Silkoline Comforts,

\$1.29 Each

An exceptional display of the best scroll quilting, in light and dark colorings. Filled with best quality white laminated cotton. Special Anniversary Sale price, \$1.29.

Lamb's Wool Comforts, \$5

An extensive display of these Fine Quality Comforts, in an attractive variety of colorings. Beautifully finished with plain satine borders, they are the best in warm, light and sanitary bedwear. Wonderful values at \$5.00 each.

Fourth Floor—Lansburgh & Bro.

THE NEW COLLARS

Of Flannel and Broadcloth, 50c

Here are the latest Neckwear Novelties—all the newest shapes are in the assortment. Some are plain, others have pinked edges. Also a number prettily trimmed with satin and buttons.

Veilings at 19c a Yard

Very unusual values in plain and fancy meshes, in dots and scroll designs. Anniversary Sale price, a yard, 19c.

Main Floor—Lansburgh & Bro.



Anniversary Sale of

WOMEN'S DRESS BLOUSES AT... \$3.85

Here are values that are way below their actual worth. We secured them as a special consideration for our Anniversary Sale. The assortment includes many pretty styles in

Lace, Georgette Crepe and Crepe de Chine in white and flesh color. Also Taffeta silk in a variety of stylish stripe effects and changeable combinations. All sizes.

Extra Special—CHINA SILK BLOUSES at... \$1.69

Women's Blouses, made of fine quality china silk in white or flesh color. Choice of plain tailored styles or a variety of pretty frill models. All sizes.

Third Floor—Lansburgh & Bro.

Anniversary Sale of

\$1.00 Undermuslins

Choice, 69c

Unusual opportunity is offered tomorrow to secure Undermuslins "way under their regular value. Included in the assortment are Night Robes, made of fine quality muslin, high V neck, trimmed with embroidered edge. Night Robes of cambric and nainsook; also flesh-colored batiste. Prettily trimmed with laces and embroidery.

ENVELOPE CREWMESSE AND COMBINATIONS. Variety of pretty styles, made of fine quality nainsook and cambric, with dainty lace and embroidery trimming. Also a limited quantity flesh-colored batiste.

Night Robes, \$1.00. Women's Night Robes of fine quality flannellette. A wide variety of styles in white or colors. Prettily trimmed with ribbons and braid. Very unusual values at the price quoted.

We are also showing a complete assortment of Knit Underskirts. Specially priced, 50c to \$2.25

Third Floor—Lansburgh & Bro.

An Unusual Display of

Costume Velvets

With the extraordinary demand for Costume Velvets for fall and winter garments this announcement should be of more than passing importance. We were fortunate in placing our orders months ago, which is responsible for our being able to display such a large assortment.

We feature the following for tomorrow:

32-inch Costume Velutina. \$2.69
A \$3.50 value, for...

44-inch Costume Velutina. \$4.49
A \$6.00 value, for...

36-inch Silk-Face Velvet. \$3.89
A \$5.00 value, for...

40-inch Chiffon Velvet. \$3.98
A \$5.00 value, for...

These are all absolutely first quality, perfectly finished, in beautiful shades of black. Main Floor—Lansburgh & Bro.

Anniversary Sale of

Stylish Untrimmed Hat Shapes

A Special Purchase of 1,000 at a Big Cash Discount Enables Us to Offer Some Very Remarkable Values at

\$1.95--\$2.95--\$3.95

Every new and popular shape is included in the assortment, which consists of All-Velvet Hats, Hatters Plush Hats, Satin Beavers and Velours, in a great variety of colors, such as Black, Blues, Grays, Taupes, Copenhagen, Old Rose, Purple, Mahogany, Burgundy, Browns, Greens etc. They are all of excellent quality and nicely made.



We are also showing at the above prices an extraordinary assortment of the

Stylish Draped Turbans

In Blacks, Blues and the Popular Fall Colors.

All Hats Trimmed Free of Charge

Mourning Hats and Hats for Matured Women a Specialty



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